

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

**On page 1, replace the second paragraph with the following amended paragraph:**

The present invention relates to a recording material suitable for ink-jet recording using a liquid ink such as an aqueous ink, an oil-based ink, and a solid ink which is solid at a normal temperature and is subjected to printing by being melted and liquefied, and ~~A~~ method for preparing the same. More particularly, the present invention relates to an ink-jet recording sheet excellent in ink receiving ability, and ~~A~~ method for preparing the same.

**Replace the paragraph bridging pages 2 and 3 with the following amended paragraph:**

Properties required for the aforementioned recording sheets for ink-jet recording are generally (1) quick-drying (high ink absorbing rate), (2) appropriate and uniform diameter of ink dots (no blurring), (3) good granularity, (4) high complete-roundness of dots, (5) high color density, (6) high chroma (no dullness), (7) good light fastness, gas resistance and water resistance of ~~a~~-printed portions, (8) high whiteness of a recording sheet, (9) good shelf stability of a recording sheet (no occurrence of yellowing coloration by long term storage, no blurring of an image by long term storage), (10) little deformation, and good dimensional stability (sufficiently small curling), (11) good hardware running properties, and the like. For utilizing a photographic glossy paper used for the purpose of obtaining the photorealistic high image quality recorded material, in addition to the aforementioned properties, glossiness, surface smoothness, photographic paper-like texture similar to that of a silver salt photograph and the like are also required.

**On page 6, replace the 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph with the following amended paragraph:**

The present invention has been achieved in view of the aforementioned problems, and can provide an ink-jet recording sheet, in which cracking or the like does not occur in a colorant receiving layer, is rigid and, is excellent in printing density and glossiness of an image, and has no blurring of images with time, and ~~A~~a method for preparing the same.